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Monday, December 19, 1863.

The dusth of Mr. Atherton, Senator from New Hampshire, was announced to-day in both Houses, speeches were made, the usual resolution pswed, and an adjournment took place. So far as the Senate was concerned, this was in violation of a resolution of that body, adopted two years ago at the instance of Mr. Clay—to the effect that there should be no suspension of its business, in the case of the death of a unabour, except when he died during the session.

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Mr. Houston submitted resolutions referring the various branches of the President's Message to the appropriate committees.

Mr. Gerrit Smith obtained the floor, and addressed the Committee on the subject of the Koesta Letter and Stavey.

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